REMARKS

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 3 and 4 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 for a lack of enablement. The Examiner does not find a teaching of how to use a high-voltage to create an electrode in the specification as filed. Applicant submits that in general insulation on a wire is subjected to a breakdown process associated with the voltage supplied to the wire. This dielectric breakdown point for insulation is well characterized for all electrical cables and is used to rate the wires. For example, a Kapton coated wire for a medical device may have a breakdown voltage of 5,000 volts, but operated at a voltage no greater than 5 volts safely within that limit. The Applicant exploits this breakdown voltage to form the electrodes as specific sites. This causes a spark through which removes the insulation from the wire. If the Examiner is not persuaded, Applicant can provide an affidavit of the inventor further describing this process. However, it is the Applicant's view that this is unnecessary and that the use of breakdown voltage to form an electrode is disclosed within the current specification. The Examiner has also rejected claims 3 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite. The claims have been amended to address these concerns.

CONCLUSION

All of the claims remaining in this application should now be seen to be in condition for allowance. The prompt issuance of a notice to that effect is solicited.

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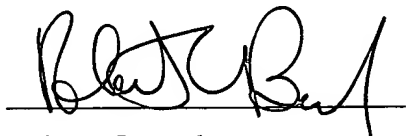

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